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TRAINS CRASH IN HOOSAC TUNNEL

Four Trainmen Killed in Rear-End Collision of Express and Freight.

WRECKAGE BURNING IN TUNNEL

Intense Heat Caused by the Flames Causes Sections of Rock to Drop, Blocking Tunnel for Several Days—Passenger Train Backs Out and Saves Passengers from Suffocation—Express Warned but Brakes Refused to Work

North Adams, Mass., Feb. 20.—With twenty freight cars burning fiercely, and sections of rock weighing many tons loosened by the heat and falling down upon the tracks, a rear-end collision on the Hoosac railroad division of the Boston & Maine railroad was so effectively blocked tonight that it will be days in the opinion of railroad men, before trains can again operate through it. Four trainmen were killed in the collision when a Boston-bound passenger express crashed into a freight.

The Dead.
The list of dead as made public by railroad officials follows:
Arthur L. Simmons, 30, Williams-town, engineer of electric locomotive.
Henry George, 42, Scotland, N. Y., assistant engineer.
Luther Davis, 22, Greenfield, "earn-er" on electric engine.
Hendee Kemp, 31, North Adams, flagman, attached to freight train.

Freight Cars Take Fire.
The passenger train was not seriously damaged, with the exception of the electric engine which was drawing it, but several cars of the freight were demolished and the wreckage to-day is still burning.

The accident happened about 2,500 feet from the east portal of the tunnel, on the south side of the Hoosac. The passenger train was approaching from the west, and the freight train was backing out of the tunnel. The passenger train was stopped by the freight train, and the freight train was backing out of the tunnel.

Passenger Train Backs Out.
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Cabled Paragraphs

Calcutta, Feb. 20.—A small steamer foundered yesterday near Rangoon, capital of Burma. Fifty persons were drowned.

Berlin, Feb. 20.—Prof. Albert Hertel, the noted painter of landscapes and still life, died here late last evening in his 69th year.

Bombay, Feb. 20.—Thirty thousand bales of cotton were destroyed in a great fire which broke out in one of the big warehouses in this city at noon today. The loss is \$1,250,000.

Cape Hatten, Haiti, Feb. 20.—An official report has just been received of a severe fight between the revolutionary forces and the government troops which occurred near the San Domingan frontier on Wednesday last. The result of the fighting is not recorded.

Bremen, Germany, Feb. 20.—The North German Lloyd Steamship company professes to be unable to understand the reasons for the decision of the supreme court of the United States which declared yesterday that the company must stand trial in the United States circuit court on a charge of violating the immigration law.

NEW HAVEN HAS NO CONTROL OVER ALBANY
President Mellen So Informs New York Public Service Commission.

Albany, N. Y., Feb. 20.—Charles S. Mellen, president of the New York, New Haven & Hartford Railroad Co., was a witness today at the hearing before the public service commission on the application of the Central railroad to acquire from the New York Central Railroad Co. the majority stock of the Rutland Railroad Co. The application of the Central to acquire from the New York Central the control of the New York, Ontario & Western Railroad Co.

Mr. Chamberlain questioned Mr. Mellen in relation to the deal whereby the New York Central and New Haven shared in the profits or deficits of the Rutland Railroad Co. Mr. Mellen said the New Haven people had nothing to say about the conduct of the Rutland Railroad Co. The Rutland Railroad Co. is controlled by the New York Central "could cut rates tomorrow all over the Boston & Albany road and not be in my chair and not know it."

That is not control; it is no partnership when they can do that.
Answering Mr. Chamberlain's question as to whether he would use the Rutland as a club against the Grand Trunk entering New England, Mr. Mellen said: "The test would be made by the Rutland in my use of the Rutland railroad for the road; I have a right to use it as I see fit so long as I deliver the profit to the Boston & Albany road. The Rutland would be useful to the New Haven in any controversy with the Grand Trunk."

ATTEMPTED BLACKMAIL
OF FRANCIS R. ARNOLD

Young Mulatto Woman Walks Into the Web of the Detectives.

New York, Feb. 20.—Eugene Green, a mulatto, 25 years old, was arrested today, charged with attempting to blackmail Francis R. Arnold, a white man, who is a former tenant of the New York City Jail. The girl, who is a mulatto, is charged with attempting to blackmail Arnold, a white man, who is a former tenant of the New York City Jail.

HAILETT'S CONDITION NOT SERIOUS.
Upon application of Hailet's heirs, County Judge Fawcett had ordered a hearing Friday to show cause why such a committee should not be appointed and to serve notice of the hearing upon the reclusive himself, the court appointed Marcus B. Campbell, a Brooklyn lawyer, late today. Dr. Henry B. Minton, the physician engaged by John H. Lord, who had acted as attorney for Hailet for many years, said tonight that the patient was suffering from a form of paralysis, and he ought to be able to appear in court Friday.

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For the first time in a quarter-century, Hailet's "house of mystery" underwent a cleaning today and the removal of dust and dirt which accumulated there for many years.

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MORE CHILDREN HAVE TO BE SENT BACK
Two Boys Taken from Lawrence Without Consent of Parents.

Barre, Vt., Feb. 20.—Following the receipt of a telegram from Lawrence, stating that the children had been brought to this city from a Lawrence home without the consent of his parents, two brothers, Antonio and Guido, were sent back to the Wisconsin city this afternoon. The boys were members of a party of 35 children brought here last Saturday for a symposium move for the striking textile operatives in Lawrence.

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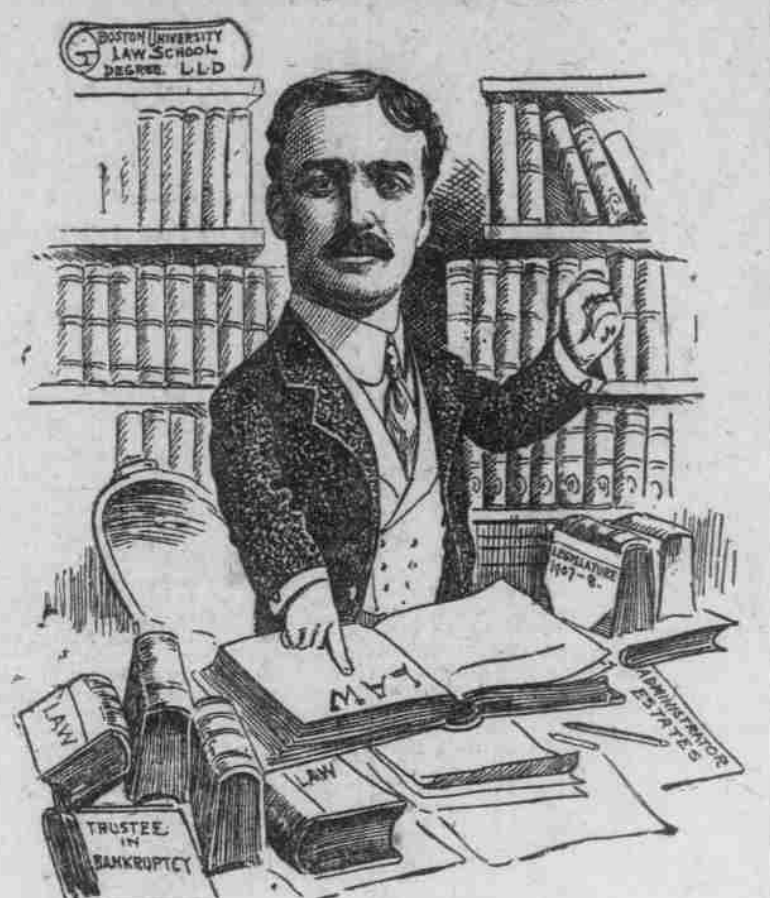
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"HOUSE OF MYSTERY" UNDER GOVERNOR BALDWIN BELIEVES IT SHOULD BE RESTORED.

HASLETT IS MUCH IMPROVED UP TO OUR BUSINESS MEN

Will Be Able to Appear in Court Friday to Testify in Conspiracy Case—May Be Grand Jury Proceedings.

New York, Feb. 20.—Samuel E. Haslett, the aged Brooklyn reclusive, whose half-million-dollar estate Francis R. Arnold, a nurse, are charged with conspiring to control, probably will be able to appear in court next Friday and tell his own story. Proceedings to name a committee to take charge of his estate will come up on that day. Mr. Haslett's condition was greatly improved today.

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Condensed Telegrams

Harry N. Atwood, the Aviator, is making preparations to fly across the Atlantic ocean in May.

The Memorial Fountain to Christopher Columbus, now being constructed at Baltimore, will be unveiled June 8.

Both the State and War departments regard the situation in Mexico as having improved during the past few days.

The Marriage of Lord Howard De Warden, one of the richest of the English peers, to Miss Margherita Van Raalte, took place in London.

Frank B. Smith of Worcester, for many years treasurer of the Shaw mills, has become treasurer of the New England Cotton Yarn company.

George S. Palmer, a Veteran of the civil war, having served with the 29th C. V., was found dead in bed at his home at Portland, Conn., yesterday.

Information as to the Existence of a smaller trust is asked of the attorney general in a resolution introduced by Representative Martin of Colorado.

Mrs. Upton Sinclair, former wife of the Maryland socialist and novelist, has deserted Harry Kemp, the Kansas poet, and taken up with another ideal.

An Automobile Owned by Henry W. Taft, brother of the president, ran down John Gillespie, a builder, in New York yesterday. He was not seriously hurt.

John Nolan, Charged With Assault upon his wife while she lay helpless from paralysis in bed at their home in Derby, was sentenced to jail for twelve months.

The Democratic State Central committee has decided to choose the ten Rhode Island delegates to the Baltimore convention by the direct primary system.

Sweepings from a Tobacco warehouse or storeroom constitute man-made tobacco, rather than waste, the supreme court of the United States has decided.

Railroads Are Required by an order issued by the Interstate Commerce commission yesterday to furnish to shippers cars of the dimensions ordered within six days.

Marion Crockett, a Jealous Suitor, first attempted to blow up the home of Florence Tinsley, at Bowling Green, Ky., and then cut the throat of George Williams, his rival.

A Special Appropriation of \$50,000 to be expended during the next five years in the construction of new state highways is recommended by Governor Foss of Massachusetts.

Judge Michael Donnelly was acquitted at Toledo, O., of the charge of embezzlement, but he is still to be tried on indictments charging him with perjury and false pretenses.

The Business Men's Court of Honor has been revived in New York, under the auspices of the Commercial Union of America, for the purpose of settling disputes between merchants.

Clarence C. Waller of Fort Smith, Ark., and Charles E. Mullin of Pitts- burgh, Pa., former bankers, serving terms in the federal prison at Leavenworth, Kan., have been paroled.

The Government Started Secret Inquiry in New York to find out who destroyed a trunkful of documentary evidence needed in the prosecution of the United States Steel corporation.

Title to the Land on which the Cavite navy yard, in the Philippine Islands, was for the most part constructed, belongs to the United States, according to a supreme court decision.

The Rhode Island House yesterday passed an act dividing the state into three congressional districts, against the opposition of the democratic minority, who claim it is a republican gerrymander.

Water for Domestic Use in Lynn, Mass., is being delivered from sprinkling carts to householders on many streets in the eastern section of that city, owing to the large number of frozen water pipes.

The Establishment of a New Fast steamship service between Canada and Great Britain, to care for a large part of the traffic which now goes by way of New York, is the chief object of negotiation now in progress.

Fire of Unknown Origin yesterday destroyed the Arlington hotel at Washington, owned by the Chesapeake and Potomac Telephone Co., and for a time threatened the entire Georgetown waterfront. The loss is estimated at \$150,000.

A Man Giving the Name of F. A. Becker was arrested near Alamogordo, N. M., yesterday, when three automobiles were robbed of the Pullman car passengers on the New York and St. Louis express of the Baltimore and Ohio railroad.

James Tagna, Who is Said to have been decorated by the king of Italy, and who has served as assistant to the king's physician, must pay a fine of \$100 and serve 30 days in the Tombs for practicing medicine in New York without a license.

Mrs. Rose Silvermann Was Shot and killed at New York yesterday afternoon by a man believed to be a Communist. The man was a member of the Communist party, and was shot by Mrs. Silvermann, who was a member of the Communist party.

The United States Government has been advised that its delegates to the international wireless conference at London, in June, will not be welcome unless the pending wireless treaty is ratified. It has been ratified by all other nations which took part.

Perry's Famous "Don't give up the ship" Lake Erie battle flag and 135 other scarred and crumbling American navy trophies probably will be taken from their boxes at the Naval Academy and renovated, so that they may be saved for coming generations.

Rev. Frederick Keese, pastor of the German Baptist church of New Britain, denounces the system of non-taxation of church property, and makes the statement that "both the church and the state should stop flitting with each other in the dark and give the public a square deal."

Progressives for Roosevelt.
Concord, N. H., Feb. 20.—Fifty leading progressive republicans of the state met here today and after this afternoon announced that they had voted unanimously to support Governor Robert P. Hall in his request to Theodore Roosevelt to become a presidential candidate.

Blizzard in Southwest.
Kansas City, Mo., Feb. 20.—Carried on a forty-mile wind, a heavy snowstorm swept southern Kansas, eastern Oklahoma and southwestern Missouri today and continued unabated tonight. In eastern Kansas and western Missouri the local weather bureau promises snow before morning.

SAYS BRANDT WILL BE FREE TODAY

Counsel for Former Schiff Valet Makes Announcement After Conference.

SCHIFF NOT ALLOWED TO TESTIFY

District Attorney Raises Objection That It Might Nullify Possible Charge of Conspiracy—Schiff's Counsel Anxious to Clear Reputation of Mrs. Schiff—Decision of Justice Gerard will Probably be Given Out Today.

New York, Feb. 20.—The state and county of New York today made the headway today toward determining whether Folke E. Brandt, the former valet of Mrs. John D. Schiff, was unjustly sentenced to thirty years imprisonment on his plea of guilty to first degree burglary. Only one witness had been heard when the charges were being opposed by counsel over the question of whether Schiff and his former personal counsel, Howard Gans, should be allowed to testify, reached such a stage that Richard L. Hand, named as commissioner in the case, adjourned the hearing until Tuesday next in order to allow Governor Dix to pass on the matter.

To Clear Mrs. Schiff's Reputation.
Counsel for Schiff made the plea that Schiff and Gans, and Mrs. Schiff, if necessary, should be allowed to tell all they knew about the case. Schiff's name, and especially the reputation of Mrs. Schiff from the imputation of scandal that has arisen. Counsel for the state, the county and former chief held, on the other hand, that if Mrs. Schiff's name had been dragged into the case, it was not at Brandt's bidding but as a result of statements by the Schiff lawyers.

Might Defeat Ends of Justice.
District Attorney Whitman finally brought the discussion to an end with a guarded yet frank statement that in his opinion, it might defeat the ends of justice if Messrs. Schiff and Gans were allowed to take the stand, in that they might thus obtain immunity and nullify a possible charge of conspiracy with which a grand jury is now struggling. "I say that this might be the result," said the district attorney, "for it is possible that a charge of conspiracy may result."

Will Not Accept Immunity.
Delancey Nicolai, for Schiff, insisted that neither Schiff nor Gans sought any immunity. Furthermore, they would not accept it. "We will give you a written statement to that effect," he said. "Why can't the proceedings then go on?"

Commissioner Adjourned Hearing.
Commissioner Hand heard both sides of the controversy, then announced that, notwithstanding Mrs. Schiff's protest, he declined to take the responsibility of allowing Schiff and Gans to testify, without first referring the matter to the governor. Adjournment was then taken.